GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:375
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2002
AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION IN TRIBAL AREAS
DUKHA BHAGAT;MANSUKHBHAI D. VASAVA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are implementing any scheme to increase agricultural production in the tribal areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have also extended any credit schemes in the tribal areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.375 DUE FOR REPLY ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2002.

(a) to (d): The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation is implementing a number of Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes to increase the production and productivity of agricultural crops including providing timely and adequate credit support to farmers throughout the country including tribal areas. A Central Sector Schemes on `Integrated Programme for Development of Horticulture in Tribal/Hilly Areas` is being implemented in selected districts namely Adilabad (Andhra Pradesh), Almora (Uttaranchal), Bastara (Chhattisgarh), Dahod/Panchmahal (Gujarat), Keonjhar (Orissa) and Ranchi (Jharkhand) for the development of horticulture. The State Government/implementing agencies have been advised to allocate funds for Special Component Plan (SCP) for Scheduled Castes and Tribal Sub-Plan for Tribes as per the Government Guidelines on the subject.